

**Problem 11709**

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Find

$$I = \int_{x=0}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{x} \int_{y=0}^x \frac{\cos(x-y) - \cos(x)}{y} dy dx.$$

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We have that

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_{x=0}^{+\infty} \frac{\cos(x)}{x} \left( \int_{y=0}^x \frac{\cos(y) - 1}{y} dy \right) dx + \int_{x=0}^{+\infty} \frac{\sin(x)}{x} \left( \int_{y=0}^x \frac{\sin(y)}{y} dy \right) dx \\ &= \int_{y=0}^{+\infty} \frac{1 - \cos(y)}{y} \text{Ci}(y) dy + \int_{x=0}^{+\infty} \frac{\sin(x)}{x} \text{Si}(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\text{Ci}(y) = - \int_{x=y}^{+\infty} \frac{\cos(x)}{x} dx \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Si}(x) = \int_{y=0}^x \frac{\sin(y)}{y} dy.$$

Now

$$\int_{x=0}^{+\infty} \frac{\sin(x)}{x} \text{Si}(x) dx = \frac{1}{2} [\text{Si}(x)^2]_{x=0}^{+\infty} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \int_{x=0}^{+\infty} \frac{\sin(x)}{x} dx \right)^2 = \frac{\pi^2}{8}.$$

Moreover, for  $t > 0$ , by letting

$$F(t) = \int_{y=0}^{+\infty} \frac{1 - \cos(y)}{y} \text{Ci}(ty) dy,$$

we obtain

$$\int_{y=0}^{+\infty} \frac{1 - \cos(y)}{y} \text{Ci}(ty) dy = F(1) = \int_{+\infty}^1 F'(t) dt = \int_{+\infty}^1 \ln \left( 1 - \frac{1}{t^2} \right) \frac{dt}{2t} = \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1-s)}{s} ds = \frac{\pi^2}{24}$$

because

$$\begin{aligned} F'(t) &= \int_{y=0}^{+\infty} \frac{1 - \cos(y)}{y} \cdot \frac{\cos(ty)}{t} dy \\ &= \frac{1}{2t} \int_{y=0}^{+\infty} \frac{2 \cos(ty) - \cos((t+1)y) - \cos((t-1)y)}{y} dy \\ &= \frac{1}{2t} \int_{y=0}^{+\infty} \frac{\cos(ty) - \cos((t+1)y)}{y} dy + \frac{1}{2t} \int_{y=0}^{+\infty} \frac{\cos(ty) - \cos((t-1)y)}{y} dy \\ &= \frac{1}{2t} \ln \left( \frac{t+1}{t} \right) + \frac{1}{2t} \ln \left( \frac{t-1}{t} \right) = \frac{1}{2t} \ln \left( 1 - \frac{1}{t^2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$I = \frac{\pi^2}{24} + \frac{\pi^2}{8} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}.$$

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